

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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Section 39-270 deals with the disclosure of information on certificates and records in the custody of the State Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Currently under subsection "e", birth records that are older than one hundred (100) years after the date of birth become public records. Records of death, stillbirth, marriage, and divorce become public records fifty (50) years after the date of the event. Because birth records can be used to create false identities to perpetuate fraud and crime and because people are living longer, and death records can be used to fraudulently claim benefits, the time frames for records of births, stillbirths, and deaths to become public records are being raised. Individuals otherwise entitled by law and administrative rule will still be able to obtain copies as they need.

Subsection "a" contains a reference to a section that was repealed and is being changed to the correct citation.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation will have no fiscal impact.

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